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SUBJECT: CLERIDES PRESS CONFERENCE JULY 22

1. IN PRESS CONFERENCE JUST PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE JULY 22 FOR VIENNA III, CLERIDES MADE FOLLOWING REMARKS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST REGARDING FUTURE COURSE OF CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS:

A. PROSPECTS FOR VIENNA III: CLERIDES GOING TO VIENNA WITH INTENTION OF CONTINUING THE NEGOTIATIONS BUT WITHOUT ANY ILLUSIONS THAT AT PRESENT STAGE IT IS POSSIBLE TO EXPECT RAPID DEVELOPMENTS. STAGNATION IN CYPRUS PROBLEM DUE TO "TURKEY'S INTRANSIGENCE" AND "FACT THAT INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON TURKEY IS CONFINED, AT LEAST FOR THE TIME BEING, TO STAGE OF THEORETICAL SUPPORT OF RESOLUTIONS OF SECURITY COUNCIL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITHOUT SUBSTANTIAL PRESSURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION".

B. MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED: WE ARE NOT GOING TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC MATTERS. THE MATTER WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IS A SOLUTION TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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THE UN RESOLUTIONS. WE EXPECT FROM TURKISH SIDE INTEGRATED PLAN FOR SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT A

CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSION.

C. TURKISH CYPRIOT DOCUMENT ON POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF TURKISH CENTRAL GOVERNMENT: CANNOT COMMENT PUBLICLY AS MATTER WILL BE DISCUSSED IN VIENNA. HOWEVER, BEGIN QUOTE: THE SUBMISSION BY THE TURKISH SIDE OF A DOCUMENT WHICH DEALS ONLY WITH THE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF A CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND DOES NOT REFER TO OTHER EQUALLY IMPORTANT MATTERS - SUCH AS THE REPRESENTATION OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT--WHICH REQUIRE A SOLUTION, CANNOT CONTRIBUTE TO RAPID DEVELOPMENTS LEADING TO A SETTLEMENT OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. THE DOCUMENT SUBMITTED BY THE TURKISH SIDE WAS DISCUSSED YESTERDAY AT LENGTH, AT A JOINT MEETING OF THE CABINET AND THE NATIONAL COUNCIL. IN VIENNA I SHALL SUBMIT OUR COUNTER-PROPOSALS ON THE MATTER. AS IS KNOWN, ON THE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT WE HAVE SUBMITTED PROPOSALS AND SAID THAT WE WOULD SUBMIT A MORE DETAILED DOCUMENT AT A SUBSEQUENT STATE. THIS DOCUMENT WILL NOW BE SUBMITTED IN VIENNA. END QUOTE.

D. KARPASS EXPULSIONS: BEGIN QUOTE: I DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH MR DENKTASH YESTERDAY. THE DISCUSSION WILL BE CONTINUED IN VIENNA. FOR THE TIME BEING I THINK NO ADVERSE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE EXPECTED IN THIS MATTER, THAT IS THE EXPULSION OF GREEKS FROM THE KARPASS AREA BY THE TURKS. END QUOTE.

E. POSSIBLE VIENNA DEADLOCK: NEXT STEP WILL BE RECOURSE TO UNGA SEPTEMBER 15. HOWEVER, ANOTHER VIENNA MEETING END OF AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER IS NOT EXCLUDED.

F. MAKARIOS' ATTENDANCE AT EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE IN HELSINKI: BEGIN QUOTE: THIS MAY BE REGARDED AS A DIPLOMATIC VICTORY FOR CYPRUS WHICH HAS BEEN ACHIEVED WITH INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT END QUOTE.

G. TEMPO OF NEGOTIATIONS: TEMPO OF TALKS IS NO DOUBT SLOW. GOC IS NOT TO BLAME SINCE IT HAS PUT FORWARD AT TALKS INTEGRATED VIEWS FOR THE SOLUTION OF PROBLEM, BUT TURKISH SIDE HAS NOT YET SET OUT ITS VIEWS ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. THIS IS WHY THERE HAS BEEN NO RAPID DEVELOPMENT.

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